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## **RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This submission is in response to the Official Action dated December 23, 2004. Reconsideration of the above identified application, in view of the following remarks, is respectfully requested.

## I. Status of the Claims

Claims 1-18 are presently pending. Claims 1, 3-8, 10, 13, and 15 stand rejected. Claims 2, 9, 11, 12, 14, and 16-18 are objected to.

## II. Acknowledgement of Allowable Subject Matter

Applicant thanks the Examiner for the acknowledgement of allowable subject matter in claims 2, 9, 11, 12, 14, and 16-18. Claims 2, 9, 11, 12, 14, and 16-18 have been objected to as